

# **ADDENDUM NUMBER 1 TO THE DETERMINATION OF NON-SIGNIFICANCE ISSUED MARCH 23, 2012**

## **Adoption of Amendments to Title 30 Snohomish County Code For Roads and Access**

**Prepared Consistent with**

The Washington State Environmental Policy Act of 1971  
Chapter 43.21C Revised Code of Washington  
Chapter 197-11, Washington Administrative Code  
Snohomish County Code Title 30



**Snohomish County Planning and Development Services**

**Date of Issuance: November 25, 2012**

## FACT SHEET

<b>Project Title:</b>	Roads and Access--Amendments to Title 30 Snohomish County Code (SCC) to correct inadvertent errors resulting from the adoption of Amended Ordinance No. 12-049.
<b>Proposed Non-Project Action:</b>	The proposed non-project action is the adoption by the Snohomish County Council of an ordinance amending Title 30 SCC to amend SCC 30.24.050 and 30.24.055.
<b>Purpose of the EIS Addendum:</b>	<p>This addendum addresses the environmental impacts of code amendments to SCC 30.24.050 and 30.24.055 subsequent to adoption by the County Council. This addendum updates and supplements a Determination of Non-Significance (DNS) issued on March 23, 2012, for the adoption of Amended Ordinance No. 12-049 concerning Roads and Access code requirements. This information does not change the environmental analysis.</p> <p>This addendum is being issued in accordance with WAC 197-11-625 and WAC 197-11-630. The adopted environmental documents listed herein, together with this addendum, meet Snohomish County's environmental review needs for the current proposed amendments.</p>
<b>Description of Proposal:</b>	Ordinance No. 12-049 relating to roads and access was adopted by the County Council on October 3, 2012. An amendment to Ordinance No. 12-049 created inadvertent errors by eliminating the County Engineers administrative authority to not require a public road and in requiring all short plats within urban growth areas to no longer be approved administratively.
<b>Location of Proposal:</b>	Amendments would affect properties located in unincorporated urban growth areas.
<b>Action Sponsor Lead Agency:</b>	Snohomish County Department of Planning and Development Services 3000 Rockefeller Avenue, M/S #604 Everett, Washington 98201-4066
<b>Required Approval Review:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Snohomish County Planning Commission – recommendation on ordinance.</li><li>• Snohomish County Council – adoption of ordinances</li><li>• Washington State Department of Community Trade and Economic Development (CTED) – coordination of state comments</li></ul>
<b>Circulation and Comment:</b>	This addendum, or notice of availability, is being sent to all recipients of the previously issued Determination of Non-Significance as required by WAC 197-11-625. No comment period is required for this addendum under WAC 197-11-502(8)(c).

**The proposed action is  
available by  
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The proposed ordinance is available for viewing at the Planning Division of the Snohomish County Department of Planning and Development Services (Robert J Drewell Building, 2nd Floor) and on the county's website. Visit [www.snoco.org](http://www.snoco.org) and type "*UDC Update Project*" in the search box.

**Date of Issuance:**

November 25, 2012

**Responsible Official:**

Clay S. White  
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Signature

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Clay S. White, Director

## **ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW**

### **Overview:**

The adoption of amendments to the GMA Comprehensive Plan and development regulations is a non-project action under the Washington State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA). This Addendum is not intended to satisfy individual project action SEPA requirements (the review needed for a future site-specific land use or building permit application). This Addendum does not significantly change the analysis of impacts and alternatives contained in the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) that was prepared in 2005 for the GMA Comprehensive Plan, nor does it identify new or significantly different impacts.

### **Prior Environmental Review**

A SEPA checklist addressing the proposed Roads and Access code amendments was issued on March 23, 2012, along with a Determination of Non-Significance (DNS).

### **DNS Addendum**

According to the SEPA Rules, an Addendum to a DNS provides additional analysis and/or information about a proposal or alternatives where their significant environmental impacts have been disclosed and identified in a previous environmental document (WAC 197-11-600(3)(b)(ii)). An Addendum is appropriate when the impacts of the new proposal are the same general types as those identified in the prior document, and when the new analysis does not substantially change the analysis of significant impacts and alternatives identified in the prior environmental documents (WAC 197-11-600(4)(e), WAC 197-11-706).

This Addendum to the March 23, 2012 DNS is being issued pursuant to WAC 197-11-625 to meet the County's SEPA responsibility. No additional significant impacts beyond those identified in the county's EIS for the 10-Year Update.

## APPENDIX A

### Distribution List

#### Federal Agencies

U.S. Natural Resource Conservation  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service  
National Marine Fisheries

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Develop.  
U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service

#### State Agencies

The Office of the Governor  
Department of Ecology  
Department of Natural Resources  
Department of Community Trade & Econ. Dev.  
Department of Agriculture  
Department of Social and Health Services  
Utilities & Transportation Commission  
Department of Corrections

Department of Fish & Wildlife  
Department of Health  
Department of Transportation  
WA State Energy Office  
Office of Archaeology and Historical Preservation  
Parks and Recreation Commission  
Department of Transportation, Northwest Region  
Interagency Committee on Outdoor Recreation

#### Regional Agencies and Interest Groups

Puget Sound Partnership  
Puget Sound Clean Air Agency

Puget Sound Regional Council  
Regional Transit Authority

#### Snohomish County Agencies and Interest Groups

Snohomish County Department of Public Works  
Snohomish County Sheriff  
Snohomish County Surface Water Management Div.  
1000 Friends of Snohomish County  
152nd St. Neighborhood Coalition  
Action Council for Esperance  
Agriculture Tomorrow  
Alderwood Community Council  
Arlington Heights Comm.  
Barclay's North  
Canyon Firs Homeowners Assn.  
Cavalero Residents for Responsible Growth  
Community Transit  
Crestline Estates Action  
Economic Development Council of Sno. County  
Edmonds Chamber of Commerce  
Everett Chamber of Commerce  
Everett Transit  
Friends of Florence Acres  
Futurewise  
Housing Authority of Snohomish County  
Jordan Road Citizens  
Kayak Pt. Citizens Group  
Kennard Corner Homeowners  
League of Women Voters  
Little Bear Cr. Protective Assn.  
Martha Lake Community Club

Snohomish County Parks and Recreation Dept.  
Snohomish County Solid Waste Division  
Snohomish Health District  
Martha Lake Homeowners  
Master Builders Assoc. of King and Sno Co  
McKee's Evergreen Beach  
Newberg Organization  
North Creek Rural Areas  
North Marysville Citizens  
Picnic Point Community  
Pilchuck Audubon Society  
Possession Bay Association  
Professional Consultants  
Silver Lake Action Comm.  
Smartgrowth Campaign  
Snohomish Arlington Trail Coalition  
Snohomish County Conservation District  
Snohomish Co./Camano Island Board of Realtors  
Snohomish Wetlands Alliance  
So. Co. Preservation Assn.  
So. Sno. Co. Chamber of Commerce  
Sound Transit  
Stillaguamish Citizens Alliance  
Stillaguamish Flood Control District  
Swamp Creek Locust Way  
Tom Ehrlichman  
Wandering Creek Homes

#### Neighboring Planning Departments

Island County Planning Dept.  
Skagit County Planning Dept.

Dept. of Dev. & Environ. Services (King Co.)  
Chelan County Planning Dept.

**Tribes**

Muckleshoot Tribes  
Sauk/Suiattle Tribe

Tulalip Tribes  
Stillaguamish Tribe

**Utilities**

Alderwood Water District  
Lake Stevens Sewer District  
Olympic View Water and Sewer District  
Silver Lake Water and Sewer  
Olympus Terrace Sewer District  
Highland Water Assn.  
Seven Lakes Water Assn.  
Sky Meadow Water Assn., Inc.  
Puget Sound Energy

Cross Valley Water District  
METRO  
Mukilteo Water District  
Diking District #2  
Cascade Natural Gas  
Roosevelt Water Assn.  
Three Lakes Water Assn.  
Snohomish County PUD No. 1  
King County Wastewater Treatment Division

**Cities**

City of Arlington  
City of Brier  
City of Edmonds  
City of Gold Bar  
Town of Index  
City of Lynnwood  
City of Mill Creek  
City of Mountlake Terrace  
City of Snohomish  
City of Sultan

City of Bothell  
Town of Darrington  
City of Everett  
City of Granite Falls  
City of Lake Stevens  
City of Marysville  
City of Monroe  
City of Mukilteo  
City of Stanwood  
Town of Woodway

**School Districts**

Arlington School District  
Edmonds School District #15  
Granite Falls School District  
Lake Stevens School District  
Marysville School District  
Mukilteo School District  
Snohomish School District  
Sultan School District

Darrington School District  
Everett School District  
Index School District  
Lakewood School District  
Monroe School District  
Northshore School District  
Stanwood School District

**Fire Districts & Ports**

Fire District 1 South County  
Fire District 4 Snohomish  
Fire District 7 Clearview  
Fire District 10 Bothell  
Fire District 12 Marysville  
Fire District 15 Tulalip  
Fire District 17 Granite Falls  
Fire District 19 Silvana  
Fire District 21 Arlington  
Fire District 23 Robe  
Fire District 25 Oso  
Fire District 27 Hat Island  
Paine Field Fire District

Fire District 3 Monroe  
Fire District 5 Sultan  
Fire District 8 Lake Stevens  
Fire District 11 Silver Lakes  
No. County Regional Fire Authority  
Fire District 16 Lake Roesiger  
Fire District 28 Index  
Fire District 22 Getchell  
Fire District 24 Darrington  
Fire District 26 Gold Bar  
Port of Everett  
Port of Edmonds

**Newspapers**

The Herald  
Arlington Times  
Snohomish County Tribune  
Mukilteo Beacon  
Monroe Monitor  
Marysville Globe  
Bothell-Kenmore Reporter

Lake Stevens Journal  
Seattle Times-North Bureau  
Seattle PI  
Mill Creek Enterprise  
Woodinville Weekly  
Enterprise Newspaper  
The Edmonds Beacon

**Libraries**

Arlington Library  
Brier Public Library  
Edmonds Public Library  
Granite Falls Library  
Lynnwood Public Library  
Mill Creek Library  
Mountlake Terrace Library  
Sno-Isle Regional Library  
Stanwood Library

Bothell Library  
Darrington Library  
Everett Public Library  
Lake Stevens Library  
Marysville Public Library  
Monroe Library  
Mukilteo Public Library  
Snohomish Public Library  
Sultan Library

## APPENDIX B

### Amendments to Title 30 SCC

#### Proposed Amendment to SCC 30.24.050

The language requiring Variance is deleted from SCC 30.24.050(1) and replaced with language allowing the county engineer to determine if a private road will be allowed. This corrects the unintended consequences of adopting Amendment 1a.

#### **30.24.050 Access and road network requirements to a proposed subdivision, short subdivision, binding site plan, or single family detached unit development (SFDU).**

Access to a proposed subdivision, short subdivision or binding site plan development or to a proposed SFDU shall meet the requirements of this section.

(1) Access to a proposed subdivision, short subdivision, or binding site plan development or to a proposed SFDU in the urban area shall be provided by a public road, except a private road network element may be ~~((requested as a Variance pursuant to chapter 30.43B if))~~ allowed if the county engineer determines unique circumstances of the site, such as topography, the surrounding road network, soils, hydrology or maintenance requirements make the extension of the public road to the development impractical or infeasible.

(2) Access to a proposed subdivision, short subdivision, or binding site plan development in the rural area may be provided by a private road network element as provided for in this chapter, except when the county engineer, in accordance with chapter 30.66B SCC, determines that a public road is required to provide for the public health, safety and welfare or connectivity of the public road system.

(3) Where access by an existing private road network element is permitted, the existing private road network element shall be constructed to a standard acceptable to the county engineer. The standard set by the county engineer shall be based upon existing and the anticipated traffic volumes generated by the proposed development.

(4) Where access by a private road network element is permitted, and the proposed private road network element has the potential for serving more than nine lots or 90 average daily trips, the county engineer may require that the road be designed to enable future conversion to a public road. The land use approval shall, to the extent possible, include a condition that the conversion to a public road may not be protested.

#### Proposed Amendments to SCC 30.24.055

The language requiring a Variance is deleted from SCC 30.24.055(1) and replaced with language allowing the county engineer to determine if a private road will be allowed. This corrects the unintended consequences of adopting Amendment 1a to Ordinance No. 12-049. SCC 30.24.055(1) is also amended to correct a typographical error in the sentence to change "to" to "within." This is needed because SCC 30.24.055 is applicable to access within the boundaries of the development not to the boundaries.



**30.24.055 Access and road network requirements to individual lots within a proposed subdivision, short subdivision or binding site plan development or to proposed SFDU units.**

Access to lots within a proposed subdivision, short subdivision or binding site plan development or to proposed SFDU units shall meet the requirements of this section.

(1) Access to individual lots, tracts or easements within a proposed subdivision or short subdivision in the urban area shall be by a public road, except a private road network element may be ~~((requested as a Variance pursuant to chapter 30.43B if))~~ allowed if the county engineer determines unique circumstances of the site, such as topography, the surrounding road network, soils, hydrology or maintenance requirements make the extension of the public road ~~((to))~~ within the development impractical or infeasible.

(2) Access to individual lots, tracts or easements, within a proposed subdivision, short subdivision, or binding site plan development in the rural area may be provided by a private road network element as provided for in this chapter, except when the county engineer, in accordance with chapter 30.66B SCC, determines that a public road is required to provide for the public health, safety and welfare or connectivity of the public road system.

(3) Access to individual dwelling units within a SFDU shall be provided by a drive aisle, unless the county engineer, in accordance with chapter 30.66B SCC, determines a public road is required to provide for the public health, safety and welfare or connectivity of the public road system.

(4) Where access by a private road network element is permitted, and the private road network element has the potential for serving more than nine lots or 90 average daily trips, the county engineer may require the private road to be designed to enable future conversion to a public road and the final subdivision, short plat or binding site plan shall contain a provision that the conversion to a public road may not be protested.

